

# Newsletter

Winter 2013

abused Deaf women's advocacy services

# A message from the Director- Tiffany S. Williams

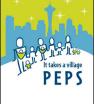
Happy New Year! Thank you to the ADWAS staff and board for continuing to promote equity and social change in our community. Thank you to our partners, volunteers, donors and funders for the belief in our mission and for supporting the important work we do in the world.

# John Maucere Show – Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Are you ready for the John Maucere Show? The funniest man around is coming to Seattle for a comedy show titled; "That one Deaf, That one hearing". Tickets are on sale now via the ADWAS website or by check or money order. Prices are \$20 for general admission, \$18 for seniors/students, in advance, or \$25 at the door. Thank you to our generous sponsors: Deaf Spotlight, Russell Jones Real Estate, UW Department of Linguistics/ASL Program, UW I-Labs. This show will be voice interpreted for all to enjoy!

#### Save the Dates

<u>March 23</u><sup>rd</sup>: John Maucere Show at UW Kane Hall, Room 120 <u>April 6<sup>th</sup> & 7</u><sup>th</sup>: Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) play production <u>May</u>: GiveBIG - Day to give will be determined by The Seattle Foundation at a later date <u>October 26</u><sup>th</sup>: Hope & Justice Gala Auction – Bell Harbor, International Promenade



# **Deaf Parents PEPS group**

In February, ADWAS will be hosting the first ever Deaf Parents Program for Early Parent Support (PEPS) group. This is a 12-week support group for Deaf parents with children ages birth to 3. We will be using the PEPS model that has been used very successfully throughout western Washington for 30 years! We are so excited to be one of the chosen pilot projects focusing on a specific cultural community. The group will meet beginning in February.

If you are interested in this group or if you have questions contact Linda Goldman. E-mail: linda@adwas.org or call (206) 453-2487 VP.

# The WAVE Foundation

On January 17<sup>th</sup>, Tiffany Williams, ADWAS Executive Director and Carol Brown, ADWAS Donor Development Coordinator joined the Board of the WAVE Foundation during a reception for the 2012 Cycle the Wave grant recipients. We welcome the support. Annually, The WAVE Foundation hosts



an event called "Cycle the WAVE". The event is a bike ride for women and girls and it helps the foundation raise funding for grant awards. ADWAS will form a team of bike riders this year for the ride on September 15<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in riding with TEAM ADWAS, contact Carol Brown at Carol@adwas.org or call Carol at (206) 922-7088.



#### ADWAS INTERN

We are excited to welcome our therapy intern from Gallaudet University, Tiffany Cassner. At the end of her internship in May, she will receive her Master of Arts in Mental Health Counseling. She brings with her a specialty in Sand Tray Therapy and knowledge of the American Samoa community. She is seeing individual clients and facilitating a number of support groups for Survivors at ADWAS.

#### **Support Group for Parents**

Parents whose children have been sexually abused need support, too! Feelings of guilt and shame are compounded by the real or perceived judgments of others and the stigma surrounding child sexual abuse. Parents sometimes have a difficult time expressing their emotions or getting the support they need to move forward because families and the community often do not talk about sexual abuse. ADWAS will again offer **a support group for parents** to explore these challenges and promote healing for both the parent and the child. If you or someone you know is interested in this group, please contact, Dov Wills, LMHC, at dov@adwas.org or (206) 453-2489 VP by February 8<sup>th</sup> to sign up.

**New Office Hours** Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

#### National Domestic Violence Hotline

Deaf advocates available M-F, 9-5 (PST) IM: DeafHotline Email: deafhelp@thehotline.org Video Phone: 1-855-812-1001

> Hearing advocates available 24-hours - 7 days a week TTY: 1-800-787-3224 Voice: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

Local Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Crisis Line 24-hours - 7 days a week TTY: 206-812-1001



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